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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the Application of	)
Rudolph T. Beaupre	)
	) Group Art Unit: 1723
for "Waterboiler System with Solids Removal	)
Apparatus"	)
	) Examiner: D A Reifsnyder
Serial No.: 10/698,151	)
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Middletown, Connecticut, February 28, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action, mailed November 30, 2005. This response is timely filed but the Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 503342 for any fee that may be required to maintain the pendency of this application.

Claims 1-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Claims 1-3 and 8-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being unpatentable over United States Patent No. 4,406,794 (hereafter called "Brigante"). Claims 4-6 were rejected as being unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Brigante in view of United States Patent No. 6,021,819 ("Cannell"). Claim 7 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Brigante in view of Cannell and further in view of Agrest.

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